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RESPONSE TO NOTICE OF NON-COMPLIANT APPEAL BRIEF MAILED JANUARY 26, 2009

Sir:

Applicants have received a Notice of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief mailed January 26, 2009.

In response, applicants have submitted a new Section III (Status of Claims) which clearly sets forth:

- 1) Original claims (1-13);
- 2) New claims (14-23);
- 3) Cancelled claims (1-4, 8, and 14-18), and
- 4) Claims still pending (22, 23, 5-7, 9-13 and 19-21)

Further, applicants have set forth a table reciting all 23 claims and their status (in this case, either cancelled or rejected).

Please replace the previous Section III with the new Section applicants have supplied.

No fee is believed in connection with this response. However, if any fee is duee, please charge the amount of said fee to Deposit Account No. 12-1155.

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If a telephone conversation would be of assistance in advancing the prosecution of the present application, applicants' undersigned attorney invites the Examiner to telephone at the number provided.

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III. Status of Claims

Thirteen (13) claims are pending in the application, i.e., claims 22, 23, 5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 19, 20 and 21.

Claims originally filed were claims 1-13. During prosecution, claims 14-23 were added at various stages. Original independent claim 1 was cancelled during prosecution and independent claim 22 corresponds to former claim 1. Other claims cancelled during prosecution, in addition to claim 1, were claims 2, 3, 4, 8, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18. This is summarized below:

Original claims:

1-13

New claims:

14-23

Cancelled claims:

1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 14, 15, 16, 17 and 18.

Accordingly, claims still pending, after addition and cancellation of claims are:

5, 6, 7, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 19, 20, 21, 22 and 23

Since claim 22 corresponds to former claim 1, applicants have stated that status of claims in the Table as follows below:

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Status of claims

All claims remaining (independent claims 22, 23, 5-7, 9-13 and 19-21) have been rejected.

Specifically, the status of all claims is as follows:

Claim <u>Status</u> Claim 1 Cancelled Claim 2 Cancelled Claim 3 Cancelled Claim 4 Cancelled Claim 5 Rejected Claim 6 Rejected Claim 7 Rejected Claim 8 Rejected Claim 9 Rejected Rejected Claim 10 Claim 11 Rejected Rejected Claim 12 Claim 13 Rejected Claim 14 Cancelled Claim 15 Cancelled Claim 16 Cancelled

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Claim 17 Cancelled
Claim 18 Cancelled
Claim 19 Rejected
Claim 20 Rejected
Claim 21 Rejected
Claim 22 Rejected
Claim 23 Rejected

All of the rejected claims (22, 23, 5-7, 9-13 and 19-21) are on appeal.